



# ALL SAINTS' DAY:

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2020 AT 9 A.M.

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Prelude

# **▼** The Gathering of the Community

The Greeting: Steven Mackison

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Glory to God

The Collect of the Day: Steven Mackison

Priest: Almighty God,

whose people are knit together in one holy Church,

the mystical Body of your Son,

grant us grace to follow your blessed saints

in lives of faith and commitment,

and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared

for those who love you;

through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

### **▼** The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Stephen Allen

Reader: A Reading from the Revelation to John.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the

Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

Revelation 7.9-17

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 34.1-10, 22 (George Black): Peter Bennett

#### Refrain:



I will bless God at all times; my mouth will always be praising my Maker. I will glory in the Holy One; let the humble hear and rejoice. **Refrain** 

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Most High; let us exalt God's name forever.

I sought my God, and was answered and delivered from all my terror. Refrain



Taste and see that God is good; hap-py are they who trust in God.

Look upon God and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed. I called in my affliction and was heard and saved from all my troubles. **Refrain** 

Your angel, O God, encompasses those who fear you, and will deliver them.

Taste and see that God is good;

Happy are they who trust in the Holy One. Refrain

Fear God, all you saints, and you will lack nothing.

The young lions lack and suffer hunger, but those who seek God lack nothing that is good. You, God, ransom each faithful servant, and none will be punished who trust in you. Refrain

### Second Reading: Jenny Kerber

A Reading from the First Letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

1 John 3.1-3

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

## Sequence Hymn: #659 (Gather) "Blest Are They"





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The Gospel: Susan Haig

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

- "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
- "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

*Reader:* The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 5.1-12

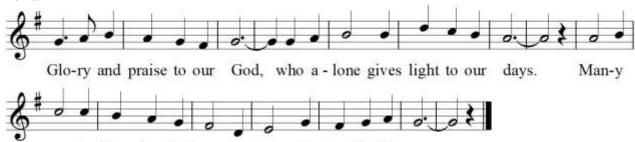
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Homily:** Ann Jervis

We pause for music and meditation

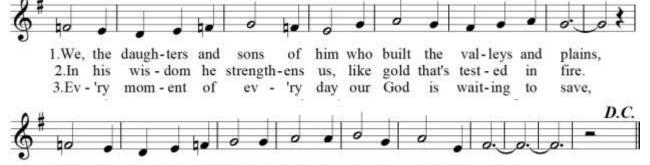
Hymn: #522 (Gather) "Glory and Praise to Our God"





are the bless-ings he bears to those who trust in his ways.

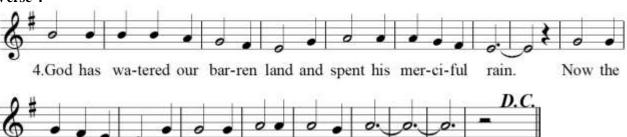




Praise the won-ders our God has done in ev-'ry heart that sings. Though the pow-er of sin pre-vails, our God is there to save.

Al-ways read-y to seek the lost, to an-swer those who pray.

#### Verse 4



riv-ers of life run full for an-y - one to drink

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## The Prayers of the People: John Castillo

Leader: Glorious God, as we celebrate the lives

of those Church members who have shone

with the brightness of your love,

we offer you ourselves and our lives

in fresh commitment

and conscious awareness of our need for you.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: May your light shine:

**All:** In the lives of your Saints.

Leader: Almighty God, may your kingdom of love and peace

be established in this world and grow.

We pray for both the influential and the ignored,

both the popular and the disliked, both the ambitious and the vulnerable.

Teach us all your ways

that we may walk the path with courage and confidence in you.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: May your light shine:

All: In the lives of your Saints.

Leader: Loving God, we call to mind

our families and friends, neighbours and colleagues,

thanking you for all their loving care and forgiveness,

and asking your grace to overcome

in all areas of hurt and misunderstanding.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: May your light shine:

All: In the lives of your Saints.

Leader: Healing God, we bring to you

those whose lives are darkened by pain,

fear or illness.

We pray for all the people whose cares weigh on our hearts.

Come to our aid; help us to bear what must be carried, and take from us all resentment and bitterness, replacing it with the abundance of peace.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: May your light shine:

All: In the lives of your Saints.

Leader: Eternal God, we thank you for all the saints

- those whose lives we celebrate

and those whose silent witness is known only to you.

And we pray all who have been gathered together

with them in the life that awaits us.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Give hope and healing to those who mourn them

and confidence in your promise to be faithful to us in death.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: May your light shine:

All: In the lives of your Saints.

Leader: Gracious God, you take us as we are

and transform us by your life in us. We thank you, that you have made us in your image.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer: Steven Mackison

*Priest:* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

The Doxology: Steven Mackison

Priest: Glory to God,

**All:** whose power working in us

can do infinitely more

than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus

for ever and ever. Amen.

Concluding Song: "When the Saints Go Marching In" - African-American Spiritual

## **Ministry Updates**

Steven Mackison

The Dismissal

Susan Haig

*Priest:* Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Our thanks go out to all who contribute financially to the Redeemer community. Our ability to continue to offer outreach support through the Common Table and maintain our rich and varied worship and program life is possible thanks to the generous donations of parishioners and friends of the community. For health and safety reasons, we would appreciate your donations via the "Online Donation" link below, where you will be redirected to the gifts section of our Website. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Online Donation**

## **Ministry Updates**

### **Special Vestry Meeting: Reconciliation Mural Proposal**

There will be a special vestry meeting on Sunday, November 8 at 1 PM through Zoom. On the agenda is a proposal from the Indigenous Solidary Working Group for a reconciliation mural. This meeting is being called at the request of six parishioners, according to the Canons of the Diocese of Toronto (Canon 14 12.1). A copy of the request sent to the Incumbent and wardens can be found here. Details of the proposal will be posted on the website and shared in Friday's eNews.

#### All Souls at 7 PM (Recorded)

We remember the faithful departed through readings, prayers, reflection and music. The video will be available on our <u>YouTube channel</u> and <u>Facebook</u> at 7PM on Sunday, November 1.

## The Common Table: Update and Call for Volunteers

The Common Table is unable to open up inside as of yet, since COVID numbers continue to climb and the risk of spread within our vulnerable population indoors is very high. So this winter, CT staff and volunteers will be putting on warm coats and spending lots of time outside. As you likely can see when you go out in your neighbourhood, street homelessness is drastically increasing during the pandemic. To respond to this need, we will be shifting to doing 2 days of actual street outreach, visiting encampments that are growing in Yorkville and close vicinity to the church, delivering food, supplies, and providing ongoing connections and support. Monday through Wednesday we will continue hot food service at the church outside the side doors, and Thursdays and Fridays we will be on foot in the community, packed with supplies.

We are excited for this new endeavour, but this is new for us! We need some things from you to help us succeed: your prayers, your support, and your hands. There are many volunteer jobs we need filled (both on site and at home positions).

### Right now, we need:

- Home bakers and sandwich makers (this entails making food at home and individually package them and drop them off- we need to follow strict public health guidelines around this so contact Angie before you make anything!)
- Work from home special project volunteers- good computer skills a necessity
- Shoppers and donation delivery volunteers and organizers

- On site volunteers- working directly with the community (no kitchen help is needed at this time, those positions are full)

It takes a village – and we need the whole village right now! Please get in touch with Angie via email at <a href="https://docs.ncb/hockinga@theredeemer.ca">hockinga@theredeemer.ca</a>

#### **Our Bell Tolls**

Our bell tolls at noon on Wednesdays to raise awareness of overdose deaths in our city. Each toll represents one person who is loved and who mattered. We honour the lives we have lost and stand in solidarity with the poor who are forgotten and neglected.

### Marginalia

"Marginalia" are the marks you scribble around the border edges of pages of a book. Redeemer's series by this name is a sort of "Sunday School for grown-ups" and meets on Zoom on **Monday evenings from 7-8:30 PM**. Our November series is "Utopia Now: The Politics of the Sermon on the Mount". The schedule for the balance of 2020 is on the <a href="Learning@Redeemer">Learning@Redeemer</a> page of our website. Nate Wall, our Scholar-in-Residence leads the conversations. To be added to the list for Zoom login details, please contact Nate.

## **Parish Cycle of Prayer**

Each month a cycle of prayer is available <u>online</u>. This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.

#### Flowers in Memory or Thanksgiving

As we come together for worship in the church building again, it is possible for flowers in memory or in thanksgiving to be placed on the reredos. If you would like to dedicate flowers for an upcoming Sunday, the cost is \$75/vase (or \$150 if you wish to contribute the cost for both vases). Please contact Marjorie for details.

## **Parking Update**

For many years members of the parish have parked at the Bedford Road Green P parking lot and had their parking receipt stamped for free parking on Sunday mornings. At this time, it seems that the parking lot is unstaffed. We expect this is done out of an abundance of caution for the health of staff who work at the parking lot. This means free parking can no longer be offered at this time. We will provide updates as often as they are available.